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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 22 October 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-23 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-23 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

35 U.S.C. 101 reads as follows:

Whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof, may obtain a patent therefor, subject to the conditions and requirements of this title.

Claims 1 and 23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. The claims recites "a graphical user interface system comprising:..." or "a computer program product comprising:..." is non-statutory for at least the reason that it is not tangibly embodied in a manner so as to be executable.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

Claims 1-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by MS Internet Explorer (IE).

Per claim 1, IE teaches graphical user interface system for use in association with a network browser comprising:

a network browser window associated with a network browser for displaying Internet content associated with uniform resource locators (URLs) during network browsing (Fig. 1; elements: 10 and 11);

a plurality of identifiers adjacent to the window in which the content is displayed (Fig. 1; identifiers: 13 and 14);

wherein a user is allowed to pre-select one of the identifiers (Fig. 1; identifier 13 is pre-selected from the history list and content is displayed in area 10);

wherein, after the pre-selection, selected content associated with at least one of the URLs displayed during use of the network browser is correlated with the pre-selected identifier and stored (Figs 2-5; selection of element 20 and 22 of fig. 2, and selection of element of 40 and 41 of Fig. 4 are stored); see list 50 of fig. 5).

Per claim 2, IE teaches a graphical user interface as recited in claim 1, wherein the identifiers are capable of being selected for identifying further information associated there with (Figs. 2-5; element 50 and 51).

Per claim 3, IE teaches a graphical user interface as recited in claim 1, wherein the URLs are displayed by browsing (Figs. 7-9; displaying of URL).

Per claim 4, IE teaches a graphical user interface as recited in claim 1, and further comprising allowing the user to subsequently access the content utilizing the identifier (Fig. 1, user can select identifier 13 and 14).

Per claim 5, IE teaches a graphical user interface as recited in claim 1, wherein the content is correlated upon selection of the content (Figs. 2-5; content is saved during browsing)

Per claim 6, IE teaches a graphical user interface as recited in claim 5, wherein the content is automatically correlated upon selection of the content (Figs. 2-5; content is saved during browsing).

Per claim 7, IE teaches a graphical user interface as recited in claim 1, wherein the identifiers have associated displayed buckets (Figs. 5 and 6; buckets 51; the examiner interprets a bucket to be the folder 51 which contains related history links).

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Per claim 8, IE teaches a graphical user interface as recited in claim 7, wherein the identifiers identify the buckets (Fig. 5; identifier 51).

Per claim 9, IE teaches a graphical user interface as recited in claim 8, wherein the identifiers include intellectual property identifiers (Fig. 11, element 10).

Per claim 10, IE teaches a graphical user interface as recited in claim 1, wherein the content includes an entire web page (fig. 1; content 10).

Per claim 11, IE teaches a graphical user interface as recited in claim 1, wherein the content includes documentation in a portable document format (Fig. 10; element 11).

Per claim 12, IE teaches a graphical user interface as recited in claim 1, wherein the date is stored with the content (Fig. 9; date 90).

Per claim 13, IE teaches a graphical user interface as recited in claim 12, wherein the date includes a date at which time the content was discovered (fig. 9; date 90).

Per claim 14, IE teaches a graphical user interface as recited in claim 1, wherein the URL is stored with the content (Fig. 1, URL 11; Figs. 7-9).

Per claim 15, IE teaches a graphical user interface as recited in claim 7, wherein the buckets are accessed via menus (Fig. 6; element 60).

Per claim 16, IE teaches a graphical user interface as recited in claim 15, wherein the buckets are accessed via sub-menus (Fig. 6; element 60).

Per claim 17, IE teaches a graphical user interface as recited in claim 15, wherein the buckets are selected by being clicked (Fig. 6; double click on 61).

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Per claim 18, IE teaches a graphical user interface as recited in claim 1, wherein any content selected during use of the network browser results in automatic correlation with the pre-selected identifier (Figs. 2-5; contents are saved during browsing).

Per claim 19, IE teaches an archival process that incorporates the features of claim 1 (Figs. 2-5).

Claim 20 is rejected under the same rationale as claim 1.

Claim 21 is rejected under the same rationale as claim 1.

Claim 22 is rejected under the same rationale as claim 1.

Claim 23 is rejected under the same rationale as claim 1.

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Wynn et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,667,751) discloses linear web browser history viewer.

Bertis et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,243,091) discloses global history viewer.

Maddalozzo, Jr. et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,012,093) discloses method and apparatus for modification of network link histories.

Inquiries

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thanh T. Vu whose telephone number is (571) 272-4073. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thur and every other Fri 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kristine L. Kincaid can be reached on (571) 272-4063. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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